

<b>Examiner-Initiated Interview Summary</b>	<b>Application No.</b>	<b>Applicant(s)</b>	
	10/677,296	KESSLER, BRIAN D.	
	<b>Examiner</b>	<b>Art Unit</b>	
	Victor K. Hwang	3764	

**All Participants:**

(1) Victor K. Hwang.

(2) Sheridan Neimark.

**Status of Application: \_\_\_\_\_**

(3) \_\_\_\_\_

(4) \_\_\_\_\_

**Date of Interview:** 12 April 2006

**Time:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Type of Interview:**

- ☒ Telephonic  
☐ Video Conference  
☐ Personal (Copy given to: ☐ Applicant ☐ Applicant's representative)

**Exhibit Shown or Demonstrated:** ☒ Yes ☐ No

If Yes, provide a brief description: *Copy of initial proposed examiner's amendment faxed to Mr. Neimark.*

**Part I.**

Rejection(s) discussed:

Claims discussed:

*1, 5, 11 and 19*

Prior art documents discussed:

*Art of record*

**Part II.**

SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW DESCRIBING THE GENERAL NATURE OF WHAT WAS DISCUSSED:

*See Continuation Sheet*

**Part III.**

☒ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview directly resulted in the allowance of the application. The examiner will provide a written summary of the substance of the interview in the Notice of Allowability.

☒ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview did not result in resolution of all issues. A brief summary by the examiner appears in Part II above.

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(Examiner/SPE Signature)

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(Applicant/Applicant's Representative Signature – if appropriate)

Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was discussed: Called 4/7/06 with initial proposed Examiner's amendment to amend claims 1 and 11 over the prior art of Larson and Donnellan. Alternative language was agreed upon for claim 1 and it was agreed that claim 5 would be rewritten to be allowable, as indicated in the previous Office action. Claim 19 was also agreed to as being allowable over the art of record. It was also indicated by the Examiner that the Declaration under 37 CFR 1.131 was effective in overcoming the rejection of claims based upon Chang..



Part of  
Interview  
Summary

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NOTE:

Larson (US. Pat. 3,528,654) reads on claim 11.

Donnellan (US. Pat. 554,992) Fig. 1 is believed  
to read on cl. 1.

Application/Control Number: 10/677,296

Art Unit: 3764

### PROPOSED EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. The application is proposed to be amended as follows:

#### In the Specification:

- A) Before the first line on page 1, insert the following:

-- This application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/422,879, filed November 1, 2002.—

- B) On page 6, line 21, paragraph [0019], replace "terephthalate" with --terephthalate--.

- C) In the Abstract, line 3, replace "the connector" with --The connector--.

#### In the Claims:

- A) Claim 1, line 2, after "having" insert --a longitudinal axis between--.

- B) Claim 1, line 6, after "ring" insert --about said longitudinal axis--.

- C) Claim 1, last line, after "element" insert --having a spiral shape--.

D) Claim 11, last line, after "ring" insert --, wherein said elongated connector is a flattened and twisted element--.